

Kiowa Country.

Description of the Land
Soon to be Thrown
Open to Home-
steaders

QUALITY OF LANDS.
Country is Well Watered
And the Soil is Very
Productive.

NATURAL GATEWAY.
Chickasha, Having the Facilities,
is the Natural Outfitting Sta-
tion for Homeseekers.

READ AND REFLECT ON IT.

The Surrounding Territory Re-
flects the Productiveness of
the Kiowa and Comanche
Reservations.

THE RESERVATIONS.

The Indian reservation is located be-
tween the Washita river on the north and
Red river on the south and between the
98th meridian of west longitude on the east
and north fork of Red river on the west,
and contains in round numbers, 4,000,000
acres. From this will be deducted about
one million acres taken up by the moun-
tains, and a like amount to be allotted to
the Indians, leaving about two million acres
to be thrown open to white settlers. The
lands occupied by the mountains is only
available for grazing purposes and rich in
gold, silver, tin and coal. These are still to
be developed.

WELL WATERED.

The land outside of the mountains are
undulating prairie, well watered with
flowing streams of water is found by digging at
depths of twenty to thirty feet. All the
streams bear a more or less fringe of tim-
ber, while large areas are covered with a
growth of mesquite trees, a timber which
make good fence posts and is excellent
fuel. Other sections and some streams bear
a growth of timber large enough to saw into
lumber. Any of all these timber lands
are productive, and will make fine farms.

By an act of congress approved June 6,
1900, the above reservation is to be opened
to settlement. On the north side of this
reservation is another known as the Wichita
reservation, which may be included at the
same time, but this is not yet known. The
law opening the reservation, provides that
the allotments shall be made in from three
to six months, and makes it the duty of the
President to issue a proclamation opening
the country within six months after the al-
lotments are made. It is not likely that the
President will take the six months and
and he may issue his proclamation immedi-
ately after the allotments are made. Thus
it may be seen the lands may be open at
any time from the early spring to summer of
next year.

PRODUCTIVENESS.

There need be no doubt of the product-
iveness of these lands. They have been
tried in every quarter with a result that has
produced 20 to 30 bushels of wheat, and 40
to 50 bushels of corn per acre. These crops
have been raised by farmers living on In-
dian lands. The valleys of the Washita, of
Cache creek, Beaver and other streams are
more or less cultivated every year, and al-
ways give good returns. The uplands are
productive of all cereals, and afford the fine-
est grazing in the world.

This land to be opened to white settle-
ment, after the Indian has taken his al-
lotment, will give homes to nearly 10,000 fam-
ilies. The price of these lands will be \$1.25
per acre, payable at the end of five years.
No better chance to get a home
in this superb climate will ever be known
again. The climate is all that can be desir-
ed, being a happy medium between the hot
climate of Texas and the cold climate of
Kansas or Missouri. The days are never ex-
cessively hot, nor the winter excessively
cold. In summer days the mercury seldom
goes above a hundred, while the nights are
invariably cool. In winter the mercury
seldom goes below zero, and then for only a
day or two. The reservation has one line of
railroad on its northern border, following
the Washita river, with two more surveyed
and will probably be built before the open-
ing, which will give market facilities equal
to an older country.

CHICKASHA.

Chickasha, Indian Territory, lies two
miles east of the eastern border of this In-
dian reservation, and is a city of 4,000 people,
with all that goes to make a city of that size.
It is lighted with electricity, has a 500-horse-
power per day flouring mill, an 80-ton per day
cotton seed oil mill, local and long distance
telephone, two wholesale grocery stores, ten
retail grocery stores, eight dry goods stores,
four furniture stores, four hardware and
implement stores, four lumber yards,
three banks, five drug stores, two jewelry
stores, one steam carpenter shop, three la-
dies' lodging houses and restaurants in num-
bers, together with all shops of blacksmiths,
boot and shoe, etc., that go to make up a
growing, pushing city. It has six church
buildings, with stated preachers, two school

buildings in which school is maintained ev-
ery year.
The people of the city and surrounding
country are intellectual and cultivated peo-
ple, gathered from nearly every state in the
Union. No better people exist anywhere.
The city is incorporated, has a mayor and
board of aldermen, and law and order pre-
vail here as in older states and communities.
Business is carried on, debts are collected,
offences against morality or any disorder or
crime punished, the same as in the states.
Don't think that because this is the Indian
Territory that the people are outlaws, and
that all is "wild and woolly." The "Indi-
ans" in this vicinity are among our most re-
spected people—progressive, educated and
refined. These are the Indian Territory
"Indians." The reservation Indian is not
the same, yet he is peaceable and fast civil-
izing. Your life, your property and your
earnings are as safe here as in the oldest
state in the Union.

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MALARIAL MOSQUITO

Points About the Kind That Com-
municates the Disease.

Facts Ascertained by Scientific In-
vestigation Which May Be of
Value to Members of the
Human Family.

It has now been pretty well estab-
lished that the microbes or parasites
which are found in the blood of human
victims of so-called "malarial" diseases
are also found in some mosquitoes.
And it appears to have been demon-
strated that certain stages of the de-
velopment of these microbes occur out-
side the human body. It is yet to be
proved that the mosquito affords the
only other domicile required for this
part of the parasite's career. But just
now that insect is the only living crea-
ture against which complicity in the
crime is proved. Hence just now scores
of experts are devoting a great deal of
study to the relations which exist be-
tween malaria and mosquitoes, says the
New York Tribune.

For a time this subject was compli-
cated by a curious contradiction. On
the one hand, the microscope revealed
the presence of the now well-known
parasites in mosquitoes; and mosqui-
toes that had been infected were
made to communicate malaria to hu-
man subjects. On the other hand, cer-
tain neighborhoods which abounded in
mosquitoes were found to be prac-
tically free from malaria, and thou-
sands of persons have been bitten by
such insects without suffering from
malaria. Dr. Manson and Surgeon
Major Ross, two prominent British in-
vestigators, at length discovered that
one kind of mosquito was actively con-
cerned in the business, and another
kind was not. This, of course, put the
matter in an entirely new light, and
has led to a more careful observation
of the distinguishing marks of mos-
quitoes.

The mosquito most abundant in
some localities is known to the scien-
tists as the "culex pipiens." This
genus has now been acquired of any
share in the dissemination of malaria.
The parasites are sometimes found in
it, but the bite of the culex somehow
does not seem to produce malaria in
human subjects. That it can and does
communicate microbes to birds seems
to be partially proved. But so far as
men and women are concerned, noth-
ing more than the ordinary and well-
known consequences of a mosquito
bite is to be expected from the culex.
The mosquito which does all the mis-
chief, so far as is known at present,
is the anopheles (pronounced "an-
off-e-leez," with the accent on the second
syllable). And it is very desirable to
tell them apart. Eventually it may
prove that the suppression of the
anopheles will rid a region of malaria;
but if that were true it would be fool-
ish to waste time, money and energy
in fighting the culex.

In a recent address in this city Dr.
L. O. Howard, chief entomologist of the
agricultural department in Washing-
ton, pointed out several differences be-
tween the two. First, as to their wings.
Those of the culex are practically with-
out any color markings. Those of the
anopheles bear dark, irregular patches,
which are not so well defined as those
of a butterfly, but which are easily
recognized if the two insects are
placed side by side. Then there are
their feelers, or "palpi." These are two
in number and stick out forward from
the head, one on each side of the pro-
boscis. Those of the culex are short
and insignificant, while the palpi of the
anopheles are nearly as long as the
proboscis. Thirdly, the two mosquitoes
have a different way of resting on the
wall of a room when quiet. The body
of the culex is parallel with the wall,
whereas that of the anopheles sticks
out at an angle. If he is on the ceiling
his body will seem to stick out at a
right angle. The hum of the culex is a
little shriller than the note of the
anopheles. The difference in pitch is
about equal to four tones of the mus-
ical scale. Finally, it appears that the
anopheles is chiefly active at night and
is given to repose by day. Other points
of dissimilarity have been observed in
the eggs, larvae and pupae. But these
need not be dwelt on here. It would
require an expert to detect them. The
means already described, and especially
the first three, will be found the
readiest and most convenient for dis-
tinguishing the two insects. And a
study of mosquitoes from this point of
view is likely to prove a fascinating
and profitable pursuit to a good many
young people this summer.

A story illustrating the remarkable
instinct sometimes displayed by birds
is told by a Rogers Park man, says
the Chicago Chronicle. He had a pet
oriole to which a friend visiting him
from California took a great fancy. Al-
though the bird had been in the family
since the day it was picked up as a
feebly by the head of the household,
the California was made its owner.
The gift was so appreciated that the
oriole became the California's com-
panion on the return journey to the
Pacific coast. Of course the bird was
caged during the trip, but it was al-
lowed a degree of domestic freedom on
its arrival near the Golden Gate. Soon
the Rogers Park man heard that the
pet had disappeared. Fancy his sur-
prise when he awoke one morning to
find the bird scratching at one of the
summer screens of his bedroom win-
dow. The exiled oriole had returned,
but it will always be a mystery to the
owner how the long journey was made
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